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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action of October 26, 2004, in which a three-month shortened statutory period was set to expire on January 26, 2005, and for which a Response is being filed within the two-month period that expires on December 27, 2004 (December 26, 2004, being a Sunday), Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view of the herein contained remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this Response.

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